

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 6-13, 19-26, 29-35 and 37-39 are in this application. Claim 27 has been cancelled so as to place this application in condition for allowance. None of the amendments made herein constitutes the addition of new matter.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-4, 6-13, 19-26, 29-35 and 37-39 have been allowed.

The Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102

Claim 27 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102,(b) as allegedly anticipated by Rong et al. (Science 388: 2013-2018, 2000). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

In the interest of advancing prosecution and without acquiescing to the rejection, Applicant has cancelled claim 27 without prejudice. Applicant reserves the right to present this claims as part of a future application.

In view of the cancellation of claim 27, the rejection should be withdrawn.

Conclusion

It is submitted that this case is in condition for allowance, and passage to issuance is respectfully requested.

If there are any outstanding issues related to patentability, the courtesy of a telephone interview is requested, and the Examiner is invited to call to arrange a mutually convenient time.

It is believed that the present Amendment does not necessitate the payment of any fees pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.16-1.17 and that no extension of time is necessary. If this is incorrect, however, please deduct any fees due, from Deposit Account 07-1969 and grant any extension of time, if needed.

Respectfully submitted,

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